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FINE HOLIDAY GOODS

RACE CLOTHING MANUF'G CO.,
In Clothing and Gents' Finishing Goods.



OVERCOATS.—In all styles, Prices and Qualities.

We have just received large invoice of EXTRA FINE OVERCOATS for the Holiday Trade, including Fur Cape Overcoats, Ulsters, Box Overcoats, in silk-lined jerseys, Cheviots, Melin, Shetlands, Chinchillas, &c. Special Prices will be made on our immense stock of Boys' and Children's Overcoats, from \$1.25 up to the best made. Our stock of Business and Dress Suits is not to be excelled. We carry a full line of Price Coat Suits, in all colors, to be worn and Wide Waist Coats.

FINE FUR SHOES AND NOVELTIES.

We have just received a fine lot of styles and shapes. Mufflers, Pongee, Cashmere, in all the delicate effects. On gold and silver, in all the latest styles. We have more than any other in the city and at prices from 20 to 25 percent cheaper. We have large jobbers in this line and thereby are enabled to make cheap prices. Fancy Border and Plain White Handkerchiefs, in Linen, Silk, Pongee. Special line of fine embroidered Pongee Handkerchiefs. We have just received a choice lot of Gents' Silk Smoking Jackets, in all the leading colors. Seal Caps, Fur, Linen and Unlined Gloves and Mitts, in all the latest styles. Black Silk Handkerchiefs, Black Silk and White Linen, Black Silk and White Linen, Black Four-in-Hand Ties, Black and White, and all the latest Novelties. We are the LEADING MERCHANT TAILORS we have a complete stock of FINE GOODS.

RACE CLOTHING MANUF'G CO.,
Successors to J. R. RACE & CO.
129 and 135 North Water Street.

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entire stock of Musical Merchandise, Fine VIOLINS, BANJOS, GUITARS, Harpianos, STRINGS of all kinds, Music Folios, and a MUSICAL NOVELTY for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

ALL AT A GREAT SACRIFICE
Until January 1st, to Get Cash.

the Finest line of PIANOS and ORGANS and will give the BEST TERMS to be state to purchasers.

My stock is all FRESH AND NEW, just GREAT BARGAINS await you at the

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3,000 Yards
WOOL FILLED
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—AT—
6 1/2c
Per Yard.

2,000 Yards of
TWILED
CASHMERES,
—AT—
10c
a yard.

1,500 Yards of
DOUBLE FOLD
CASHMERES,
—AT—
12 1/2c
a yard.

2,000 Yards
DOUBLE-WIDTH
Cloth Suitings,
—AT—
19c
a yard.

36-inch Plaid
CLOTH SUITINGS,
19c a Yard.
50 Pieces Plain and
BROCADE VELVETS,
25c a Yard.
25 Pieces of
BROADCLOTH,
were \$1.25 a yard,
Cut to 85c.
20 Pieces of
FRENCH BROADCLOTH,
Were \$2.00, now \$1.25.
20 Pieces of Black and Colored
Brocade and
STRIPED SILK VELVETS,
Woven Patterns,
Marked Down to \$1.00 a yard.
Boxes of Unbleached
CANTON FLANNELS,
at 4c a yard.
Boxes of Colored
CANTON FLANNEL,
at 5c a yard.

2,000 PAIRS
ALL WOOL
RED BLANKETS
The Original Price
\$4.50, \$5, \$5.50 and \$6 a Pair,
ALL PUT IN ONE LOT AT
\$3.60 Per Pair.
We claim this the
Biggest Bargain
Ever Offered in
BLANKETS,
In this City.

Extra Heavy
CANTON FLANNEL,
at 7c a yard.
Cases of
BLEACHED MUSLIN,
36 inches wide, at
5c a yard.
Bales of 36-inch
BROWN MUSLIN,
Good weight, at
5c a yard.
One Box of
APRON GINGHAMS,
at 4c a yard.
200 Pieces of Best
DRESS GINGHAMS,
at 6 1/2c a yard.
1 Box Regular 8c Gingham
at 5c a yard.
2 Cases of
TURKEY RED DAMASK
at 19c a yard.
2 Boxes CALICOES
at 4c a yard.
1 Case of Choice Colors in
CALICOES at 5c a yard.

100 BED COMFORTS, Original Price
\$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75, and \$3,
ALL PUT IN AT \$1.48 EACH.

23 dozen Ladies' All Wool Scarlet Vests and Pants, were \$1.00, marked down to 75c each.
25 dozen Ladies' Grey Wool Vests and Pants, were \$1.00, now 75c.
1 Case Ladies' Heavy Cotton Vests, at 19c a pair.
50 dozen Ladies' Colored and Black Wool Hose at 19c a pair.
30 dozen Men's Grey and Red Mixed All Wool Shirts and Drawers, were \$1.00 and \$1.25, marked to close out at 75c each.
50 dozen Men's Camel's Hair Shirts and Drawers, were \$1.50, now \$1.00.

PLUSH JACKETS
—AT—
\$6.95
Were \$12.

PLUSH JACKETS
—AT—
\$9.00
Were \$15.

PLUSH SACQUES
—AT—
\$12.95
Were \$18.

PLUSH SACQUES
—AT—
\$14.90
Were \$20.

Plush Sacques at \$17.50; Were Sold at \$25.00.
Plush Sacques at \$21; Were \$30.

Ladies' English Walking Coats, worth \$6.50, for..... \$5.50
Ladies' English Walking Coat, worth \$8, for..... 6.50
English Walking Jackets, worth \$12, for..... 9.00
English Walking Jackets, worth \$15, for..... 9.95
Ladies' Cloth Newmarkets, were sold at \$7.50, for..... 5.00
Ladies' Cloth Newmarkets, were sold at \$10, for..... \$15, \$16, and \$18.00
One Lot of Fine Beaver Newmarkets for \$10, were..... \$7 and \$8.00
One Lot of Furments at \$4; original price,..... \$7 and \$8.00
One Lot of Children's Cloaks at \$1 to \$4 each, or a trifle LESS THAN HALF PRICE.

These Goods will be on Sale Monday and following days at

BRADLEY BROS.

New York

+POOR DRUGS+

Are worse than none, as you are not only deceived, but robbed as well.
WE BUY THE BEST, ONLY,
and if you have prescriptions to be filled or medicines to buy, we would be pleased to fill your orders, with the BEST GOODS money will buy.

KING & WOOD
Druggists.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Swindled Two Susceptible Widows
Mrs. Elizabeth Timmerman, of Bloomington, is a widow, aged 76, and quite frail in body, yet she seems to be not too old to look with favor upon a suitor. William Proctor, an insurance agent, a few days ago made her acquaintance. He is 35 years old, quite good looking, and a smooth talker. Mrs. Timmerman is well off, and as she relates the story Proctor made love to her so successfully that she entrusted to him her hand and heart, and will accept transferable notes amounting to \$4,000 and several hundreds in cash. Next day Proctor disappeared and was not seen again until an officer brought him from Springfield, Ill., on a warrant sworn out by Mrs. Timmerman. It was ascertained that Proctor worked a similar game on another, but younger, susceptible widow in West Kentucky, McLean county. From her he got \$200 in cash.

Good Tiling Pays.

John Biesinger, of Milnes, had 80 acres that yielded 6400 bushels of corn and 70 acres that yielded 6150 bushels, this last season, which was quite good corn. The reason of the difference in the yield was the better tiling of the 80 acres. He also had 80 acres which produced only 3100 bushels. On this lot the outlet of the tile was defective, stopping the flow of the water.—Monticello Herald.

CHRISTMAS WEATHER.

A Record for the Past 43 Years
Kept by a Salem Man.

Records of Christmas weather in Salem, now in the possession of Andrew Nichols give information of much interest.

Starting with the Christmas of 1786, says Mr. Nichols, and ending with 1828, 43 consecutive years, 27 were fair, 9 stormy and 7 cloudy. The average temperature was 26.76 degrees. The three warmest were 1894, 44 and fair; 1816, 44 and rainy; 1817, 47.3 and rainy. The three coldest: 1788, 10.3 and fair; 1814, 9.8 and fair; 1826, 10.3 and fair. Christmas of 1811, 1912, 1913 and 1814 were all cold, and were followed by three warm in 1815, 1816 and 1817. I cannot as yet detect any change in temperature, though it is true I can find no record of a warmer than this of 1893, whose average is 50 degrees, and taking the seven back of that they run about the same as any eight or ten consecutive years you might take from the records and are as follows: Christmas, 1, 82, 31.6 degree; 1893, 27.3; 1894, 15.6, 1885, 21; 1886, 29; 1887, 27.3; 1787, 35; 1888, 44.3, or the average of the eight years, 30.07.

Very Sensible "Japs."

In Japan the old-school physicians are permitted to wear only wooden swords. This is a pretty fantastic way of expressing the opinion that they kill people without using weapons. But the Druggist who introduced Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery into the Empire, carries a fine steel blade. It was found that the old records and are as follows: Christmas, 1, 82, 31.6 degree; 1893, 27.3; 1894, 15.6, 1885, 21; 1886, 29; 1887, 27.3; 1787, 35; 1888, 44.3, or the average of the eight years, 30.07.

News from Troutman.

Christmas and New Year's passed off quietly and everybody seemed happy and contented. Flowers blooming in winter and the out-door life looking as green as wheat, we began to think that our town had brought about two summers, until the late snow came and covered up the mud. Our street commissioners are a little slow. The members of Sharon Church Sunday school met last Sunday and elected new officers as follows: S. Troutman, superintendent; J. L. Howell, assistant superintendent. F. Gring visited on town Tuesday. Mr. Allen Park is a happy man—it's a girl. Mr. and Mrs. William Sawyer were in town this week. Miss Chamberlain, of Mason, commenced school at Sonny side Monday. Dr. Hostetter was called to Troutman Monday to attend a sick child. Nannie Constant is on the sick list. Younger Hilson visited his aged mother during the holidays. The roads are in a very bad condition at present. Mayor Troutman shipped his cattle to the towns of Troutman, Decatur and Chicago are the enterprising towns of Illinois. Everything quiet and business dull.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters since the same song of praise. A purer medicine does not exist. It is a sure remedy to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove impure blood. Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all fevers. For cure of Headache, Consumption and Indigestion try Electric Bitters—Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded.—Price 50 cents per bottle at Dr. A. J. Storer's Drug Store.

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Absolutely Pure.

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The Boss Clothier.

We have eclipsed all previous efforts in the 23 years' experience of our successful career in the clothing business, in placing before the public for this Fall and Winter

THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE LINE

OF

NEW FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING

EVER SHOWN IN DECATUR.

Our Men's, Young Men's

AND

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Will be distinguished from ordinary ready-made clothing, not only by the superior fit, style and finish, so long noticeable in our garments, but also by the EXTREME LOW PRICES we ask for superior made goods.

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HOW IS THIS?

Why Not Save Money When You Can?

* A Penny Saved Is a Penny Earned. *

What we eat costs us more money than any other of our wants, and especially is this true if we do not seize every opportunity to buy where we can do so to the best advantage. Logan & Beik are the pioneers of Low Prices in groceries, and those who have patronized them know how well the claim is based. What is the sense in paying high prices when you can buy the same goods for less money? They refer to the following price list to show that they are not indulging in windy bragging when they claim to sell goods at lower prices than their competitors, and a simple trial will convince the most skeptical that their goods are all that can be desired:

SUGARS.		HAMS.	
Granulated Sugar, 12 1/2 lbs for	\$ 1 00	Kings Ham, per lb.	10c
A Sugar, 13 lbs for	1 00	California Ham, per lb.	10c
14 lbs White Extra C Sugar.	1 00	Breakfast Bacon,	10c
15 lbs C Sugar.	1 00	Heavy Bacon,	10c
Good Syrup, per gallon.	1 00	Best Lard, per lb.	10c
FLOUR.		Miscellaneous	
Best roller process flour, per sack.	\$1 05	Best Corn Oil, per gallon.	10c
50 lbs.	1 05	Best Vinegar, per gallon.	10c
Coffee Packages		Arbuckle's,	25c
XXX,	25c	Fancy Raisins, new,	25c
Arbuckle's,	25c	New French Prunes,	25c
Lion,	25c	Sardines, 7c, or 4 for	25c
Queen B,	25c	Canned Peaches in syrup,	25c
Bonola,	25c	Canned Blackberries,	25c
Good Coffee in bulk,	25c	Canned Corn,	25c
TEAS.		Baking Powder, in pound cans,	25c
Japan,	15c to 50c	Baking Powder in bulk,	25c
Imperial (best),	35c to 50c	Mackerel in pound cans,	25c
Y. H.,	40c	Star Tobacco,	25c
Japan 1st, in 1 lb cans, at	40c	Climax Tobacco,	25c
SOAPS.		Big 4 Tobacco, per pound,	25c
5 bars Logan & Beik's,	25c	Lemon, per dozen,	25c
5 bars Lutz Bros',	25c	Brooms,	25c
5 bars Lux,	25c		

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FRESH OYSTERS and CELERY received every day and all goods at proportionately Low Prices. Goods Delivered to all parts of the city.

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 It begins at the Grand
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do the same. Unlike those who sold more goods to 50 persons in the past three weeks than all other shoe dealers in Decatur combined. Of course it makes them mad but they are glad to cry. They forget that Mr. L. L. Ferris has sold more good goods in this town in the past twenty-five years than any man living. They also forget that to maintain a "cross-roads" store is the very latest the handling (and hence the necessity) of modern desirable goods manufacture and sale. We still have \$25,000 worth of goods that must be closed out at once regardless of our competitors. Every pair of shoes, of course, but we can't always be there, to do it for them. See our large advertisement. Respectfully,
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